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TDEC/Recreation Educational Services will be holding a **Park and Recreation Citizen's Board Training** at Montgomery Bell State Park on June 17-18, 2014. Registration fee is \$40 and registration deadline is June 2, 2014. This training workshop will educate citizens and local governments of the importance of Parks and Recreation Citizen Advisory Boards, and how to create an effective and active board. Whether you want your Park Board to be more active or effective or greatly desire to create a Park Board in your area, this training is for you. The following link will take you to the flyer which has more information and a link to registration. [events.r20.constantcontact.com/register/event?llr=aqx85ieab&oeidk=a07e8yecy6z16be008c](http://events.r20.constantcontact.com/register/event?llr=aqx85ieab&oeidk=a07e8yecy6z16be008c)

### 3rd Annual TN Bike Summit, May 14-16, 2014 in

#### Nashville, TN

Registration is open and the early bird registration of \$65.00 is only good through April 14, 2014. After that date, fee goes up to \$85.00. To see the schedule, review the speakers and to register, visit:

[www.tnbikesummit.org/](http://www.tnbikesummit.org/)

The Tour De Nash is the next day on May 17th and will be a great event to participate in after the Summit.



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# NATIONAL TRAILS DAY®

2014 National Trails Day (NTD): June 7, 2014 [www.americanhiking.org/national-trails-day/](http://www.americanhiking.org/national-trails-day/)

To see the Final Report for the 2013 NTD, go to:

[www.americanhiking.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/07/NTD-2013-Final-Report-small-2.pdf](http://www.americanhiking.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/07/NTD-2013-Final-Report-small-2.pdf) .

Registration for your NTD event is now open for 2014 so start planning your event and get it registered! Take a hike, paddle a water trail, do trail maintenance, build some new trails, take some kids into nature, lots of great activities fit into and can be a NTD event.

Tennessee had 105 events and activities recorded for 2013 and that placed us 5th in the nation, just behind Texas (4th) which had 106 events. Let's see if we can do better in 2014!

Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency: <http://www.tn.gov/twra>

The Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency (TWRA) announces the availability of grant dollars to assist cities, schools, community organizations, civic groups, watershed organizations, and conservation groups, etc., with stream clean-up projects and planting projects during the 2014-15 fiscal year.

Five grants, at \$1,000 each, are available for each of TWRA's four regional Aquatic Habitat Protection projects (a total of \$5,000 per region). The funds will be obligated as grants, so the grantee must have a nonprofit tax number. The projects are to be completed, the money spent, and a report submitted by June 30, 2015. TWRA will accept project proposals through June 15, 2014.

For more details, visit: <https://news.tn.gov/node/12375>

## ABOUT: TN GREENWAYS & TRAILS

The Greenways and Trails Program is here to encourage Tennessee communities to save their special green spaces, to promote the volunteer spirit of Tennesseans, and to work to preserve and conserve the natural and cultural resources that make each community in our state special.

For technical assistance with greenways and trails in your community, please e-mail Bob Richards, Greenways & Trails Coordinator at [Robert.Richards@tn.gov](mailto:Robert.Richards@tn.gov).

The Tennessee Greenways & Trails program is administered by Recreation Educational Services, a division of the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation. For more information about recreation grant funding and other technical services provided, please visit <http://www.state.tn.us/environment/recreation/>



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